

OCTOBER. - Three charts: 95 tracks; three or four instances every year.

Third decade: 21-31,-19 tracks.-The number of typhoons is steadily decreasing: we do not find one typhoon every year during the last 10 days of the month; and we may say that their season is over, as far as the East of the 130th meridian is concerned. Only a few trajectories are seen between the Marianas and the Loochoos, and very few centres venture up to the Ballintang Channel, where they are soon repulsed or filled up. All the space to the NW of a line drawn up from the S end of Formosa to the SE corner of Japan is now perfectly free from their incursions.

But it must be remembered that the middle of the China Sea, along the 15th parallel, is still a dangerous region, and there remains a bundle of tracks, fairly dense, running from Palawan or the S. of Luzon towards the coast of Annam, in the neighborhood of Tourane. The Gulf of Tongking and Haïnan Island are practically free during this end of the month. The isobar 764 mm that has gained ground, by some 4 degrees, towards the South and East, appears to be a kind of barrier impassable to the typhoons.

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